

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the amendments above and the remarks following is respectfully requested.

Claims 7-12 are in this case. Claims 7, 9 and 10 have been rejected under § 102(b) or § 103(a). Claims 8, 11 and 12 have been objected to.

The claims have now been amended without prejudice to conform to the allowable subject matter identified by the Examiner. Specifically, independent claim 7 has been amended to include the limitations of objected claim 8, itself now canceled. Dependent claim 11 has been amended to become an independent claim incorporating the limitations of the base claim from which it originally depended. As a result of these amendments, the claims before the Examiner will be claims 7 and 9-12.

The claims as amended are all believed to correspond to subject matter indicated by the Examiner to be allowable, and the application is therefore believed to be in condition for allowance.

§ 102(b) & § 103(a) Rejections

The Examiner has rejected claims 7 and 10 under § 102(b) as being anticipated by Irani et al. ("Motion Analysis for Image Enhancement: Resolution, Occlusion and Transparency", Jour. Visual Communication and Image Representation, Vol. 4, Dec. 1993, pp 1-24). The Examiner has also rejected claim 9 under § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Irani et al. in view of Ahiska (US 2009/0102950). The Examiner's rejections are respectfully traversed.

While continuing to traverse the Examiner's rejections, the Applicant has, in order to expedite the prosecution, chosen to amend the claims to conform to the subject matter of claims 8 and 11 identified by the Examiner as allowable.

Specifically, independent claim 7 has been amended to include the limitations of objected claim 8, itself now canceled. Dependent claim 11 has been amended to become an independent claim incorporating the limitations of the base claim from which it originally depended.

In view of the above amendments and remarks it is respectfully submitted that independent claims 7 and 11, and hence also dependent claims 9, 10 and 12, all correspond to subject matter already indicated to be allowable. Prompt notice of allowance is respectfully and earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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